

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph at page 2, prenumbered lines 19-25, with the following rewritten paragraph:

To obtain a service charge, the service provider must have a function of charging the user for the ~~use's~~ user's usage and a function of managing user information. Hence, the service provider must develop and operate a charging management function and user management function that operates in linkage with the application used by the user.

Please replace the paragraph at page 12, prenumbered lines 14-17, with the following rewritten paragraph:

The embodiments of the present invention will be described below with reference to the accompanying ~~drawing~~ drawings. The same reference numerals denote the same parts throughout the ~~drawing~~ drawings.